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C O R R R E C T E D C O P Y (PARA 3)

EO 11652: GDS
TAGS: KS, TP, MARR
SUBJECT: RELOCATION OF USAF SPACETRACK FACILITY

REF: STATE 198197

1. ON AUGUST 26, 1976, EMBASSY OFFICER CALLED ON YI SUNG-KON, CHIEF, NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION II, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND PRESENTED NOTE CONTAINED REFTEL. AFTER REVIEW OF NOTE, YI SAID ROKG OFFICIAL POSITION IS THAT INSTALLATION OF CAMERA REPRESENTS INTRODUCTION OF EQUIPMENT NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO NORMAL USFK ACTIVITIES AND THEREFORE ROKG REQUESTS THAT FORMAL REQUEST BE SUBMITTED. HE STATED HIS PERSONAL OPINION THAT REQUEST IS ONLY FORMALITY AND THAT APPROVAL FOR INSTALLATION WOULD EVENTUALLY BE FORTHCOMING. HE WAS UNVOVED BY EMBOFF'S ARGUMENT THAT INSTALLATION FALLS WITHIN SOFA. IN VIEW THIS EXCHANGE EMBOFF DID NOT LEAVE COPY OF NOTE.

2. IN EFFORT TO RESOLVE ISSUE WITHOUT MAKING FORMAL REQUEST TO ROKG, WE ARE CONSIDERING OTHER COURSES OF ACTION AND CONTINUE TO HOPE ISSUE CAN BE SETTLE THROUGH SOFA MECHANISM. THIS WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE CASE OF MAKING FORMAL REQUEST TO ROKG, BUT WOULD INVOLVE NOTIFICATION ONLY THAT IN CONJUNCTION WITH MUTUAL
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DEFENSE TREATY AS CITED ARTICLE II OF SOFA, U.S.

GOVERNMENT IS INSTALLING BAKER-NUNN CAMERA IN AN
EXISTING USG FACILITY. ROKG SOFA COMMITTEE WOULD BE
FURNISHED SUBSTANCE OF REFTEL TEXT CONCERNING CAMERA
AND OPERATION OF FACILITY.

3. WE ARE PROCEEDING ON THIS BASIS AND PLAN TO BE IN
POSITION TO INITIATE PROJECT IN COMING WEEKS.
HOWEVER, DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE AWARE OF DELAY, AND OF
POSSIBILITY THAT FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH ROKG MIGHT
BE NEEDED.
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